

§ 550.212

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(d) Transfers of property which otherwise would be null and void or unenforceable, by virtue of the provisions of this section, shall not be deemed to be null and void or unenforceable pursuant to such provisions, as to any person with whom such property was held or maintained (and as to such person only) in cases in which such person is able to establish each of the following:

(1) Such transfer did not represent a willful violation of the provisions of this part by the person with whom such property was held or maintained;

(2) The person with whom such property was held or maintained did not have reasonable cause to know or suspect, in view of all the facts and circumstances known or available to such person, that such transfer required a license or authorization by or pursuant to this part and was not so licensed or authorized, or if a license or authorization did purport to cover the transfer, that such license or authorization had been obtained by misrepresentation or the withholding of material facts or was otherwise fraudulently obtained; and

(3) Promptly upon discovery that:

(i) Such transfer was in violation of the provisions of this part or any regulation, ruling, instruction, license or other direction or authorization thereunder, or

(ii) Such transfer was not licensed or authorized by the Secretary of the Treasury, or

(iii) If a license did purport to cover the transfer, such license had been obtained by misrepresentation or the withholding of material facts or was otherwise fraudulently obtained; the person with whom such property was held or maintained filed with the Treasury Department, Washington, DC, a report in triplicate setting forth in full the circumstances relating to such transfer.

The filing of a report in accordance with the provisions of this paragraph shall not be deemed to be compliance or evidence of compliance with paragraphs (d)(1) and (2) of this section.

(e) Unless licensed or authorized pursuant to this part, any attachment, judgment, decree, lien, execution, garnishment or other judicial process is null and void with respect to any prop-

erty in which on or since 4:10 p.m. e.s.t., January 8, 1986, there existed an interest of the Government of Libya.

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§ 550.212 Holding of certain types of blocked property in interest-bearing accounts.

(a)(1) Any U.S. person, including a banking institution, currently holding property subject to § 550.209 which, as of the later of September 11, 1992 or the date of receipt, is not being held in an interest-bearing account, or otherwise invested in a manner authorized by the Office of Foreign Assets Control, shall transfer such property to, or hold such property or cause such property to be held in, an interest-bearing account or interest-bearing status, as of such date, in a banking institution in the United States, or, for property held outside the United States, the foreign branch of a U.S. banking institution, unless otherwise authorized or directed by the Office of Foreign Assets Control.

(2) The requirement in paragraph (a)(1) of this section shall apply to funds, currency, bank deposits, accounts, and any other financial assets, and any proceeds resulting from the sale of tangible or intangible property. If interest is credited to an account separate from that in which the interest-bearing asset is held, the name of the account party on both accounts must be the same and must clearly indicate the blocked Government of Libya entity having an interest in the accounts.

(b) For purposes of this section, the term *interest-bearing account* means a blocked account in a banking institution earning interest at rates that are commercially reasonable. *Commercially reasonable* means the rate currently offered other depositors on deposits of comparable size and maturity. Except as otherwise authorized, the funds may not be invested or held in instruments the maturity of which exceeds 90 days.

(c) This section does not apply to blocked tangible property, such as chattels or real estate, nor does it create an affirmative obligation on the part of the holder of such blocked tangible property to sell or liquidate the property and put the proceeds in a blocked account. However, the Office of

Foreign Assets Control may issue licenses permitting or directing sales of tangible property in appropriate cases.

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Subpart C—Definitions

§ 550.301 Effective date.

The *effective date* means:

(a) 12:01 a.m. Eastern Standard Time (e.s.t.), February 1, 1986, with respect to the transactions prohibited by §§ 550.201, 550.202, 550.203, 550.204, and 550.205;

(b) 8:06 p.m. Eastern Standard Time (e.s.t.), January 7, 1986, with respect to transactions prohibited by §§ 550.206 and 550.207; and

(c) 4:10 p.m. Eastern Standard Time (e.s.t.), January 8, 1986, with respect to transactions prohibited by § 550.209.

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§ 550.302 Libya; Libyan.

The term *Libya* means the country of Libya and any Libyan territory, dependency, colony, protectorate, mandate, dominion, possession, or place subject to the jurisdiction thereof. The term *Libyan* means pertaining to Libya as defined in this section.

§ 550.303 Libyan origin.

The term *goods or services of Libyan origin* includes:

(a) Goods produced, manufactured, grown, or processed within Libya;

(b) Goods which have entered into Libyan commerce;

(c) Services performed in Libya or by a Libyan national who is acting as an agent, employee, or contractor of the Government of Libya, or of a business entity located in Libya. Services of Libyan origin are not imported into the United States when such services are provided in the United States by a Libyan national who, during indefinite residency in the United States, works as, for example, a teacher, athlete, restaurant or domestic worker, or a person employed in any other regular occupation.

§ 550.304 Government of Libya.

The term *Government of Libya* includes:

(a) The state and the Government of Libya, as well as any political subdivision, agency, or instrumentality thereof, including the Central Bank of Libya;

(b) Any partnership, association, corporation, or other organization owned or controlled directly or indirectly by the foregoing;

(c) Any person to the extent that such person is, or has been, or to the extent that there is reasonable cause to believe that such person is, or has been, since the effective date, acting or purporting to act directly or indirectly on behalf of any of the foregoing;

(d) Any other person or organization determined by the Secretary of the Treasury to be included within this section.

NOTE TO § 550.304: Please refer to the appendices at the end of this chapter for listings of persons determined to fall within this definition who have been designated pursuant to this part. Section 501.807 of this chapter sets forth the procedures to be followed by persons seeking administrative reconsideration of their designation or that of a vessel as blocked, or who wish to assert that the circumstances resulting in the designation are no longer applicable.

[59 FR 31143, June 17, 1994, as amended at 61 FR 32938, June 26, 1996; 62 FR 45108, Aug. 25, 1997]

§ 550.305 Libyan person.

The term *Libyan person* means any Libyan citizen, any juridical person organized under the laws of Libya, or any juridical person owned or controlled, directly or indirectly, by a Libyan citizen or the Government of Libya.

§ 550.306 Person.

The term *person* means an individual or entity.

[66 FR 36690, July 12, 2001]

§ 550.307 United States.

The term *United States* means the United States and all areas under the jurisdiction or authority thereof.

§ 550.308 United States person.

The term *United States person*, or as abbreviated, *U.S. person*, means any United States citizen, permanent resident alien, juridical person authorized